

## **ABSTRACT**

The present invention provides a pharmaceutical composition for treating chronic hepatitis C characterized by comprising at least one active ingredient selected from the group consisting of IL-15, myeloid dendritic cell maturation stimulators (for example, CpG oligo deoxynucleotide, GM-CSF, IL-4, LPS, CD40L, polyI:C, TNF- $\alpha$  and IFN- $\gamma$ ) and lectin-binding substances (for example, mannose carbohydrate, fucose carbohydrate and anti-lectin antibody); and a method of treating chronic hepatitis C by using such active ingredient(s). In the above pharmaceutical composition and therapeutic method, it is possible to use INF- $\alpha$  together with these active ingredients.